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REQUEST FOR REFUND (IMPROPER CHARGE OF DEPOSIT ACCOUNT)

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This is a request for a refund, with respect to the charge to Deposit Account 50-0496, shown on the statement dated February 2005, for the above-identified application.

A copy of the monthly statement, in which the error referred to occurs, accompanies this request.

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REQUESTED

RCE \$790.00

TOTAL REFUND REQUESTED

\$790.00

III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR

Applicants were charged \$790.00 for the filing of an RCE. A copy of the Request for Continued Examination sent to the USPTO on February 14, 2005 is enclosed. Please note that we received a "Notice of Improper Request for Continued Examination (RCE) (copy enclosed) on March 11, 2005 meaning that the RCE was never accepted by the PTO and thus the RCE fee was incorrectly charged to the deposit account.

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